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Application Number **09/885,888**Filing Date **June 20, 2001**First Named Inventor **Seiji Tanaka et al.**Art Unit **2626**Examiner Name **Michael L. Burleson**Attorney Docket No. **MAT-8152US****ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)**☐ Fee Transmittal Form☐ Fee Attached☐ Amendment/Reply☐ After Final☐ Affidavits/Declaration(s)☐ Extension of Time Request☐ Express Abandonment Request☒ Information Disclosure Statement☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)☐ Response to Missing Parts/  
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Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

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The following reference is not in the English language:

- 1) DE 19751571 A1

Reference 1) has a counterpart English language patent attached.

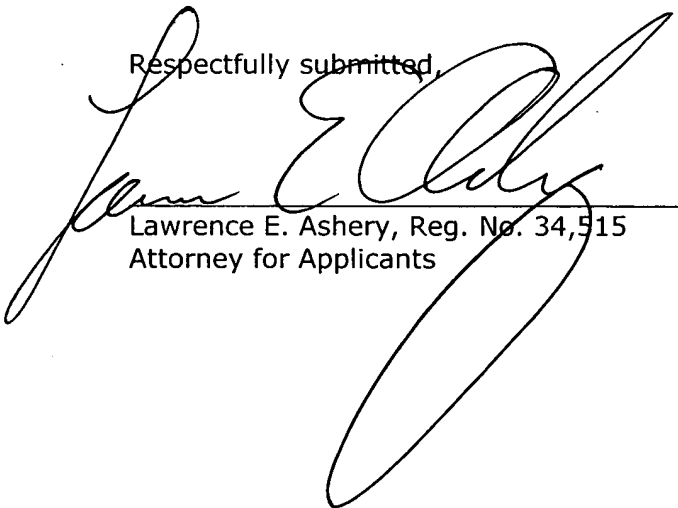
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